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RAILROAD PRESIDENCIES.

The resignation of Villard from the presidency of the Oregon Transcontinental and O. R. & N. companies causes a sensation throughout the Northwest. The cause is stated to be that he became impressed with a conviction that it would not be proper for him to continue as president of all the companies whose management he has heretofore directed, after the completion of the Northern Pacific, which is plausible enough. There has been considerable complaint in certain quarters that Villard has been using his position as a railroad president wholly as a means of furthering his fortunes of late, and that his chief reason for holding the presidency for the last three months was the opportunity it afforded him of gaining information to be used to the best advantage. From the fact that the stocks were rapidly going down, which movement was changed to an advance upon the announcement of his resignation, is sufficient evidence that there was a loud call somewhere for the action that he took in stepping aside.

The details of his resignation arouse still further surprise. It was thought in several quarters that when he did resign it would be the O. & T. and N. P. R. R. presidencies that he would relinquish, retaining the O. R. & N., which is to-day, financially, the best of the lot. The effect of this change is not apparent. On the surface it would seem an abandonment of his interests in Oregon and a transfer to Puget Sound. The O. R. & N. is partly an Oregon company. The financial combination known as the Oregon & Transcontinental has its interests identified thoroughly with this state, while with the Northern Pacific, Oregon is simply one interest among many, the main interests lying, as far as the northwest is concerned, at Puget Sound.

The latest theory of the "Walla Walla Union" concerning political and state probabilities is that if Washington Territory is not divided the canals and locks at The Dalles and Cascades will not be completed for a generation. The reason given is that both senators from the new state of Washington would be from Puget Sound and would be opposed to improvement of the Columbia. The first thing we know the Union will be joining in the demand for improving the Columbia river bar. "God moves in a mysterious way his wonders to perform." One year ago our friend in Walla Walla would scarcely admit the existence of such a stream as the Columbia.

The New York Financial Chronicle of the 15th inst. says: "It is now clear that Villard's July statement of the Northern Pacific was too sanguine an exhibition. Nothing has been realized on account of dividends on preferred stock, as estimated. Unless they are made his total income for the year is reduced to a million and a quarter. As to profits brought forward from the previous year, they are mainly tied up in Northern Pacific scrip, and can hardly be considered available. The whole balance is more largely nominal than real."

At a recent meeting of the Senate Committee on Territories, the bill providing for a civil government for Alaska, introduced by Harrison, was considered. An amendment providing for the establishment of a school to be open to the children of both whites and Indians, was adopted, and the bill ordered reported to the senate. A bill authorizing the retiring of army officers to hold offices in the territories to which they may be elected by the people thereof, was acted upon favorably and ordered reported.

One of the new rules proposed for governing the senate of the United States, declares that, after a notice of twenty-four hours, the majority of the senate may stop debate on any question by a direct vote on that question, and thus prevent the minority from talking the measure to death. Every deliberative body ought to have some rule by which it can restrain debate within proper limits. The senate of the United States has hitherto had no such rule.

It may be interesting to note, as an instance of the costliness of modern war, that the total ascertained expenditure of France upon the war on which she entered with a light heart in August, 1870, is now declared to be \$1,705,440,000. As the war began in August and ended in January, this makes the cost to France of her march to Berlin almost exactly ten millions a day, without counting the permanent loss of two of her wealthiest provinces.

TWENTY-FIVE newspapers were started in Dakota during last October. The reason for this extraordinary outburst of journalistic enterprise was the act of congress which requires settlers pre-empting government land to publish the declaration of their intentions, in order to acquire a title from the government, for a period of six weeks in some newspaper of general circulation.

RAILROAD RUMORS.

The official notice of Villard's retirement was accompanied by a statement that a syndicate had been formed to take part of the bonds now owned by the Oregon and Transcontinental company, amounting to \$9,000,000 or \$10,000,000. This will relieve the company of a larger part of its debt so burdensome, and will enable it to resume a sound financial position. The report of the condition of the company will be made as soon as the committee appointed by the board are able to make the proper investigation, which will necessarily occupy several days; but it was positively stated that the report will show in hand aggregate stock fully amounting to the amount held at the time of the report in June last.

The New York Telegram says: "Although nothing official is known, it is understood that an effort is making to dispose of Villard, and that he retires from the Northern Pacific company in January, to be succeeded by Frederick Billings, with Oakes as vice president and general manager."

Vice President Oakes of the Northern Pacific Railroad company has telegraphed the following statement of the operations of the company for October: Gross earnings, \$1,897,221; operating expenses, \$614,586; rentals and taxes, \$53,111; surplus, \$729,524. The gross earnings for November are estimated at \$1,253,200; operating expenses, \$557,700; surplus, \$695,500.

As soon as it became known that Villard had retired from the presidency of the O. & T. and O. R. & N. companies, a reporter called at the Mills building, but Villard refused to be interviewed. He gave out through his secretary, however, an explanatory statement, that, impressed with the conviction that it would not be proper for him to continue as president of all the companies whose management he had heretofore directed, after completion of the Northern Pacific railroad as a transcontinental line, he some weeks since urgently pressed Endicott to accept the presidency of the Oregon and Transcontinental company.

FRANCE and China should postpone hostilities until after the holidays. Let the two countries exchange Christmas cards and be happy.

In the nine years last passed 541,196 people emigrated from Canada to the United States. In the last four years 401,260 came.

Motto for the girls next year: "Look before you leap."

NEW TO-DAY

Information Wanted.

INFORMATION OF IMPORTANCE IS wanted of Ernst August Nyman, of Sweden, Fredrik Holter, of Norway, who are supposed to be in this vicinity. Information as to wanted concerning Anton Ekman, of Sweden, and Andrew Everson, of Norway, both of whom came to this country last summer. Any person having information of either of the above will confer a favor by addressing: ARTHUR WILSON, Swedish and Norwegian Consul, Portland, Oregon.

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"GEN. BANNING."

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E. C. HOLDEN, Auctioneer, Astoria, Dec. 19, 1883. W-11 d-11

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—AT—

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Infants' Hoods, now \$1, formerly \$1.50.

Hosiery, now 50c, formerly 75c.

Lace Collars and Fichus, now 25c to \$1.50, formerly 50c to \$2.

Ladies' and Children's' Linen Collars, now 15 to 25c, formerly 25 to 35c.

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